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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 29 July 1965

Executive Director was in the chair. DDCI was on the Hill. DCI was out of town.

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25X1 noted the unresolved status of which is thought
25X1 in some quarters He referred also to
of the SAM shootdown of the BLUESPRINGS drone on 26 July.
25X1 is believed to have been involved. He referred to the B-52 strike last night Southeast of Saigon. There are no good post-strike reports yet available.

25X1 reported that OCI has been sending spot reports on world reaction to the SAM strikes to the White House, and that they will begin similar service on reaction to the President's press conference/statements.

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Borel raised a question about ensuring high level treatment of U.S. Ambassadors who come to the Building for briefings. It was generally agreed that the DDP Area Division involved should be asked for a recommendation as to whether the DCI or DDCI should meet with the Ambassador on such occasions.

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Borel noted a recent publication of current NIS on Bolivia.

Referring to present concern over the logistics aspects of SA-2 equipment, Kent referred to their considerable size and weight. The equipment for one SAM regiment, which includes

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DDS reported on an upcoming visit to this Building by DIA architects who are authorized to proceed with the design of a DIA building, although no money for construction has yet been authorized. The Building will cost 25X1 It will be of a size 25X1 Langley Building.

DDS noted that the rise in the draft rate will mean conscription of 25X1 CIA employees each month. All will be junior. There will be some exceptions which we will request on technical grounds. Some career trainees may be affected, but not many.

In answer to deSilva's query, Executive Director explained that there will be no formal T/O or ceiling for the 25X1 Personnel in effect will be placed on the Staff on a loan basis. All components are urged to cooperate and provide topnotch people.

In answer to deSilva's query, 25X1 explained that DIA is arranging to send to the field intelligence data on SAM performance.

deSilva briefed the meeting on an Agency report from 25X1 setting forth the general guidelines of briefing of his staff to 25X1 the effect that the strike on the SAM sites creates no essential change.

Bross reported receipt of a draft memo from DOD on certain aspects 25X1 of the It has been circulated and each component has been asked to name a checkpoint and provide comments to Tom Parrott.

DDS&T reported successful recovery of the second bucket of CORONA 1022. He reported that weather in China continues to be poor.

DDS&T noted that both SecDef and DCI have written to BOB agreeing 25X1 on the need for the Agency to proceed with DDS&T said he 25X1 was now at work trying to develop something similar with DOD on 25X1

DDS&T reported on his briefings yesterday at NSA. The Director and Deputy Director of NSA informed him that NSA was solidly behind the Agency on the usefulness of but did request that we face up to 25X1 the processing implications this will mean for NSA.

DDS&T reported on a meeting he and Borel had yesterday with the 25X1 Loose ends have been put

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together and a modus operandi worked out.

DDP noted the large number of responses to the Headquarters request for foreign reaction to the U.S. SAM strikes. It was agreed that the requirement could be considered satisfied. Stations will be alerted to report on significant developments in this regard. It was noted that

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Executive Director noted that some correspondence for DCI's signature still occasionally "calls" instead of "invites" attention of the addressee to some subject or other. "Invites" is the word to be used.

Executive Director reported on the results of John Clarke's luncheon yesterday with Michaels of the House Appropriations Subcommittee Staff. Michaels wanted to know whether the Agency had sufficient money to beef up its Vietnam programs. He once again reflected concern that there is no Agency review of the NRO budget. He inquired about and 25X1 he also made arrangements to visit NPIC next week.

Executive Director provided guidance for those who brief the DCI. It is clear that it is best for the briefer to admit he does not know the answer to a DCI query, and promise to find out rather than to attempt to generalize.

Executive Director referred to the new and revised manner of preparing the minutes of the Morning Meeting. He urged those responsible for actions to review these actions periodically and feed back to the Morning Meeting, if appropriate, answers or status reports. It was agreed that the items discussed at Morning Meetings are privileged and care and prudence should be exercised in passing along thenature of these discussions.

Executive Director noted that the DCI will be concentrating on Agency budgetary programs between 30 August and 10 September. In the meantime, DCI has agreed to hear as many Agency program briefings as he can. All hands were urged to make an effort to get these briefings scheduled with the O/DCI.

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ACTIONS

1. Borel was directed to redraft current SOP's and work out a coordinated system for dealing with the visits to the Agency by outgoing U.S. Ambassadors and other high level officials. Executive Director reminded that there is need for biographic sketches and background on any outside visitor who will meet with DCI or DDCI. (DDI)

2. Noting Kent's report on the logistics aspects of the SA-2's, Executive Director asked that this information and related material be briefed for the DCI. (DDI)

3. Executive Director wants to be briefed on the nature of Agency [redacted] (DDS&T) 25X1

4. Referring to a draft letter which DDS&T has prepared in response to Mr. McCone's questions about OXCART as it relates to SST matters, Executive Director asked that DDS&T check this letter out with DDCI or DCI.

5. Executive Director asked that all hands, when tabling a memorandum with the DCI at the Morning Meeting, explain the purpose of the memorandum, the dissemination it has been given, and recommend additional recipients to whom the DCI might wish to make a personal dissemination.

6. Referring to a previous request he has made to the DDI, Executive Director noted the need to revise and improve SOP's for Watch Office briefings and telephone contact with the DCI. At a minimum, it is essential that the word be passed through responsible senior officials who can describe to the DCI those actions being taken. (DDI)

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